



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of

CHAN et al. Atty. Ref.: 839-1565; Confirmation No. 5430

Appl. No. 09/749,303 TC/A.U. 2123

Filed: December 27, 2000 Examiner: Stevens

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ANALYZING PERFORMANCE OF A TURBINE

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE**

Responsive to the Official Action dated March 9, 2005 (for which petition is hereby made for a two month extension of time), applicant requests reconsideration of the single outstanding ground of rejection for the reasons stated below.

The Examiner has withdrawn all previous grounds of objection and/or rejection and has now rejected claims 1-6, 8-13, 15-25 and 34-41 under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as anticipated by Gillespie (Electrical Distributor Magazine, August 2000). According to the Examiner, Gillespie teaches selected GE eAccomplishments since 1999, one of which is the "Turbine Optimizer" that "helps customers optimize turbine performance by comparing theirs to others and the ability to select upgrade options."